



MACARTHUR MAZE/580 DECK COLLAPSE

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- The debris removal was completed ahead of schedule and Caltrans is committing all possible resources to complete the repairs as quickly as possible.
- Caltrans is working closely with Bay Area counties and cities to manage the impacts of the freeway collapse on local communities.
- Caltrans is encouraging drivers to use other modes of transportation during this repair process.
- This is a great opportunity to use public transportation options such as BART, buses, ferries and biking to work if possible. Using public transportation not only eases traffic congestion, but it is more environmentally friendly, limiting vehicle emissions.
- The public transit agencies report that they have enhanced their capabilities and can accommodate an increase in users.
- Caltrans is encouraging drivers to be patient during the repair process and asks that travelers drive particularly cautiously when using alternative routes, keeping in mind the impact of increased traffic flow on local communities.

Other important details and updates

- Caltrans has completed the demolition ahead of schedule and is now working on evaluating the extent of the damage to the freeway.
- An assessment of the damage is being done, which includes taking core samples and X-raying the structure.
- The next phase is the design and construction phase.
- We do not know how long it will take to complete the repairs. It depends on what Caltrans finds in the assessment.
- How quickly Caltrans can procure the steel will be a factor in how quickly they can complete the repairs.
- Drivers can get information on alternative routes and traffic updates by calling 511 or logging onto Caltrans Web site and going to the District 4 link. (<http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist4/mazedamage/>)
- It is recommended that those taking BART avoid using their own vehicles to get to the station due to parking concerns. Using a bus, shuttle or bicycle is preferred.
- Caltrans is continuing to monitor traffic impacts and refining routes.
- ACC West Coast is the company that will handle the traffic management.
- Detour signs are being clearly posted to assist drivers.



- Current estimated costs are \$4.3 million for demolition and \$2 million for traffic control.